

Wednesday, January 27, 1999

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S1017–S1068*

**Measures Introduced:** Four bills were introduced, as follows: S. 313–316. **Page S1021**

**Impeachment of President Clinton:** Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, continued consideration of the articles of impeachment against William Jefferson Clinton, President of the United States, taking the following action: **Pages S1017–18**

By 44 yeas to 56 nays (Vote No. 4), Senate rejected the Byrd motion to dismiss the impeachment proceedings against William Jefferson Clinton, President of the United States. **Pages S1017–18**

By 56 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. 5), Senate agreed to the House of Representatives motion for the appearance of witnesses at a deposition and to admit evidence not in the record. **Page S1018**

Senate will continue to sit as a Court of Impeachment on Thursday, January 28, 1999.

**Communications:** **Pages S1018–21**

**Statements on Introduced Bills:** **Pages S1021–27**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages S1027–28**

**Additional Statements:** **Pages S1028–33**

**Record Votes:** Two record votes were taken today. (Total—5) **Pages S1017–18**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 1:07 p.m., and adjourned at 4:47 p.m., until 1 p.m., on Thursday, January 28, 1999.

### Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

#### BUSINESS MEETING

**Committee on Armed Services:** Committee ordered favorably reported S. 4, to improve pay and retirement equity for members of the Armed Forces, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

#### BUDGET PROCESS REFORM

**Committee on the Budget/Committee on Governmental Affairs:** Committees concluded joint hearings on S. 92,

to provide for biennial process and a biennial appropriations process and to enhance oversight and the performance of the Federal Government, and S. 93, to improve and strengthen the budget process, after receiving testimony from Senator McCain; Representatives Nussle and Cardin; Timothy J. Muris, George Mason University School of Law, Fairfax, Virginia; and Martha H. Phillips, The Concord Coalition, and Van Doorn Ooms, Committee for Economic Research, both of Washington, D.C.

#### OFFSHORE OIL AND GAS ACTIVITY IMPACT

**Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:** Committee concluded oversight hearings on the impacts of coastal areas and communities caused by offshore oil and gas exploration and development, and on S. 25, to provide Coastal Impact Assistance to State and local governments, to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act Amendments of 1978, the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965, the Urban Park and Recreation Recovery Act, and the Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act (commonly referred to as the Pittman-Robertson Act) to establish a fund to meet the outdoor conservation and recreation needs of the American people, after receiving testimony from Alaska State Representative Jim Whitaker, Fairbanks; James I. Palmer, Jr., Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality, Jackson; Donald F. Oltz, Geological Survey of Alabama, Tuscaloosa; Jack C. Caldwell, Louisiana Department of Natural Resources, Baton Rouge; and Mark Van Putten, National Wildlife Federation, Vienna, Virginia.

#### TRADE POLICY

**Committee on Finance:** Committee continued hearings on trade policy issues affecting the services sector, international investments, agricultural trade, housing costs, and the steel industry, receiving testimony from Gary G. Benanav, New York Life International Inc., New York, New York; Calman J. Cohen, Emergency Committee for American Trade, and Franklin D. Raines, Fannie Mae, both of Washington, D.C.; Dean Kleckner, American Farm Bureau Federation, Parkridge, Illinois; George Becker,